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COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone)

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TOPIC Cottbus Airfield.

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. An estimated 50 aircraft were parked in front of the hangars at Cottbus airfield between 8:20 and 9:10 a.m. on 11 October 1951.
2. Between 6 and 8:30 p.m. on 10 October, there was local flying by six biplanes with running lights. The planes took off on the runway from west to east at intervals of 2 to 3 minutes and landed on the runway which was not lighted.
3. On the morning of 11 October, about 30 twin-engine planes were parked at the field. Excavating west of the runway was apparently completed. The brook which previously crossed the field was directed through newly laid underground cement pipes.
4. On 18 October, 35 twin-engine aircraft and several biplanes were parked at the field. Trucks were observed. *

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* Comment. Cottbus airfield is still occupied by a bomber regiment equipped with PE-2s.

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